



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

January 8, 2007 Date

In re the Application of

Koichi NUMATA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1764

Application No.: 09/883,966

Examiner:

K. HANDAL

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For:

FUEL REFORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE FUEL

REFORMING APPARATUS

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired November 8, 2006, an extension of time for a period of two months is hereby requested. (Payment of \$ 120 for a one month extension was already made.) Attached hereto is our Check No. 188143 in the amount of \$330 in payment for:

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Respectfully submitted,

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